

Office of the Governor State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Corporal Donald E. Matney, of Seymour, Missouri, was a soldier in the United States Army, assigned to Company H, 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, while serving his country, Corporal Matney was deployed to South Korea as part of the United States armed forces; and

WHEREAS, on July 20, 1950, Corporal Matney, was reported missing when his unit attempted to delay the enemy from capturing a town near Taejon, South Korea, and the enemy infantry and armor units were able to force the division out of the town and block withdrawal routes; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Matney was listed as Missing In Action until 2016, when his remains were positively identified and returned to Missouri for interment.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

CORPORAL DONALD E. MATNEY

and for his bravery and service to the United States of America, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings statewide for one full day on Saturday, November 19, 2016, and shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in Webster County, Missouri, from November 20 - 25, 2016, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 16th day of November, 2016.

Attest:

Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon/

Governor

Secretary of State